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#### I. INTRODUCTION

It is well known that the classical elasticity solution of crack problems fail in a <u>core</u> region around a sharp crack tip, since they predict stress singularity at the tip. The assessment of the core radius and the stress field within the core is a problem usually discussed within the context of atomic theories of lattices (cf. [1]), even at that its treatment contains various assumptions regarding the interatomic arrangements and force fields.

Engineering fracture mechanics, on the other hand, is based on the Griffith's ideas which resort to other concepts (e.g. energy, J-integral, fracture toughness). To be sure, there exist certain erzatz to account for the effect of the core region on fracture process in phenomenological ways. These are useful for engineering purposes, however, they are not based on a fundamental theory nor are they capable predicting the state of stress in the core region which is fundamental to the initiation of fracture.

In several previous papers, we have shown that nonlocal elasticity solutions of Griffith crack problems lead to finite stress at the crack  $tip^{3-5}$ . In fact, an exact solution<sup>6</sup> obtained for the screw dislocation, indicates that the stress vanishes at the tip of the crack, growing to a maximum in the vicinity of the crack tip. The important implications of this result in connection with the initiation of fracture is the motivation for the present work.

The solution obtained here for the Mode III (anti-plane shear) problem for a crack interacting with a screw dislocation indicates that the circumferential stress field is vanishingly small (zero when the dislocation

is absent) at the crack tip, when the screw is located far away from the crack tip. When the dislocation is near the crack tip, the stress field is affected approiably displaying several maxima near the crack tip. By equating the maximum stress to the cohesive yield stress, we can determine the stress intensity factor  $K_g$  or the theoretical yield stress, given  $K_g$ . Calculated  $K_g$  values, on the basis of the present theory, are in fair agreement with those determined experimentally. Theoretical strengths are also estimated by means of the dislocation model. Results agree with those predicted by atomic models.

The mathematical model of approach to the solution of this problem is new and possesses potential applications in other areas.

#### 2. BASIC EQUATIONS

In several previous papers, we developed a theory of nonlocal elasticity, cf. [7, 8, 9]. For homogeneous and isotropic elastic solids, linear theory is expressed by the set of equations

(2.1) 
$$t_{k\ell_1k} + \rho(f_{\ell} - \ddot{u}_{\ell}) = 0,$$

(2.2) 
$$t_{k\ell}(x,t) = \int_{U} \alpha(|x'-x|,\tau) \sigma_{k\ell}(x',t) dv(x'),$$

(2.3) 
$$\sigma_{k\ell}(x',t) = \lambda e_{rr}(x',t) \delta_{k\ell} + 2 \mu e_{k\ell}(x',t) ,$$

(2.4) 
$$e_{k\ell}(x',t) = \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{\partial u_k(x',t)}{\partial x_k'} + \frac{\partial u_\ell(x',t)}{\partial x_k'} \right]$$

where  $t_{k\ell}$ ,  $\rho$ ,  $f_{\ell}$  and  $u_{\ell}$  are respectively, the stress tensor, mass density, body force density and the displacement vector.  $\lambda$  and  $\mu$  are the Lamé elastic constants and  $\alpha$  is the "attenuation function" which depends on the distance |x'-x| and a parameter  $\tau$  which denotes the ratio of the internal characteristic length a to the external characteristic length  $\ell$ , i.e.

$$\tau = \mathbf{e}_0 \, \mathbf{a}/\ell$$

where  $\mathbf{e}_0$  is a constant appropriate to each material. Characteristic lengths may be selected according to the range and sensitivity of the physical phenomena to be investigated. For instance, for perfect crystals, a may be taken as the lattice parameter and  $\ell$  as the half crack length. For granular materials, a may be considered to be the average granular distance and for fiber composites, the fiber distance etc. The <u>material</u> constant,  $\mathbf{e}_0$  may be determined by one experiment.

Equations (2.1), (2.3) and (2.4) are those known from the theory of classical elasticity, but Eq. (2.2) is new, replacing Hooke's law. According to Eq. (2.2), the stress at a point x depends on strains at all points x' of the body. The attenuation function  $\alpha$  determines the degree of influence with the distance. From the physical nature of solids, it is clear that the influence of strains at x', on the stress at x, decreases with the distance |x'-x|. Thus,  $\alpha(|x'-x|)$  must acquire its maximum at x'=x. Moreover, when  $\alpha \to 0$ ,  $\alpha$  must become a Dirac delta measure so that nonlocal theory shall revert to classical elasticity theory. By matching the phonon dispersion curves with those resulting from nonlocal theory, we have determined  $\alpha$  for various cases (cf. [5], [8], [10]).

By discretizing Eq. (2.2), it can be shown that equations of nonlocal elasticity revert to those of atomic lattice dynamics. Thus, it is clear that nonlocal theory is a suitable model for the treatment of physical phenomena with characteristic lengths in the range from the molecular or atomic dimensions to macroscopic sizes.

For a two-dimensional perfect lattice, the dispersion curves are matched in the entire Brillouin zone to within an error less than 12% with the attenuation function

(2.6) 
$$\alpha(|x|,\tau) = (2\pi\ell^2\tau^2)^{-1} K_0(\sqrt{x \cdot x}/\ell\tau)$$

where  $K_0$  is the modified Bessel's function. We note that Eq. (2.6) is Green's function for the operator  $L \equiv (1 - \ell^2 \tau^2 \nabla^2)$ , i.e.

(2.7) 
$$(1 - \ell^2 \tau^2 \nabla^2) \alpha = \delta(|x' - x|)$$

In fact, it is possible to employ other linear operators to characterize the nature of nonlocal attractions of material points in solids. This apparent non-uniqueness of  $\alpha$  may be considered to be a defect of the theory. On the contrary, for imperfect and amorphous solids, this may provide a desirable flexibility. Ultimately, however,  $\alpha$  should be determined from experimental and/or statistical mechanical considerations. For perfect crystals, Eq. (2.6) leads to excellent agreements with the dispersion curves based on atomic lattice theory.

Upon the application of the operator, L = 1 -  $\ell^2 \tau^2 \nabla^2$ ) to Eq. (2.2), we obtain

$$(2.8) (1 - \ell^2 \tau^2 \nabla^2) t_{k\ell} = \sigma_{k\ell}$$

Divergence of Eq. (2.8), upon using (2.1) and (2.3), leads to

(2.9) 
$$(\lambda + \mu) u_{k_1 k_2} + \mu u_{k_2 k_k} + (1 - \ell^2 \tau^2 \nabla^2) (\rho f_{\ell} - \rho \ddot{u}_{\ell}) = 0$$

For the static case and vanishing body forces, Eq. (2.9) is non other than Navier's equation of classical elasticity. Note, however, that the stress tensor is not  $\sigma_{k\ell}$  but  $t_{k\ell}$  and it requires that we solve Eq. (2.8) to determine  $t_{k\ell}$ .

For plane, harmonic, SH-waves, Eq. (2.9) gives the frequency

(2.10) 
$$\omega = (\mu/\rho)^{\frac{1}{2}} k[1 + e_0^2 k^2 a^2]^{-\frac{1}{2}}$$

where k is the amplitude of the wave vector. By equating  $\omega$  given by Eq. (2.10) to that predicted by the Born-Kármán model of lattice dynamics, at the end of the Brillouin zone (ka =  $\pi$ ), we find that

(2.11) 
$$e_0 = (\pi^2 - 4)^{\frac{1}{2}}/2\pi = 0.39.$$

The dispersion curve based on Eq. (2.10) and that of the Born-Kármán model are compared in Fig. 1. We see that the matching is very good. The maximum error is less than 6%.

The dispersion curves of the Born-Kármán model is a good approximation for some fcc and bcc metals (e.g. Al and cu). While the Brillouin zone may vary in different directions of slips in crystals, we believe that Eq. (2.11) is a reasonable value for  $\mathbf{e}_0$  when the material is considered to be isotropic.

#### 3. CLASSICAL STRESS FIELDS

A homogeneous, isotropic elastic solid of infinite extent contains a crack located at  $-c \le x_1 \le c$ ,  $x_2 = 0$ ,  $-\infty < x_3 < \infty$  where  $x_k$  are the rectangular coordinates, Fig. 2. We suppose that there exists a dislocation which lies parallel to the  $x_3$ -axis and which intersects the plane  $x_3 = 0$  at the point  $S\{x_1 = \xi, x_2 = \eta\}$ . The solid is subject to a constant antiplane shear at  $x_2 = \pm \infty$ . The classical elasticity solution of this problem was given by Louat  $x_1 = x_2 = x_3 = x_3$ 

Since the state of the body is the same at all planes,  $x_3 = \text{const.}$ , the problem is two-dimensional and we need to treat the plane problem in the plane  $x_3 = 0$  with a line crack located at  $x_2 = 0$ ,  $|x_1| \le c$ .

The classical stress field at any point  $P(x_1,x_2)$  may be expressed conveniently in the form

(3.1) 
$$\sigma_{23} - i \sigma_{13} = A \int_{-c}^{c} \frac{f(t)}{\bar{z}_{-t}} dt$$

where  $\bar{z} = x_1 - i x_2$  and f(t) is the distribution function which is the solution of the equation of equilibrium of the forces acting on the crack surface:

(3.2) 
$$A \int_{-c}^{\pi c} \frac{f(t)}{t-x} dt = \sigma_{d}(x) + \sigma_{0}, \qquad A = \mu \lambda_{0}/2\pi$$

Here, the integral denotes a Cauchy principal value,  $\mu$  is the shear modul  $\lambda_0$  is the displacement vector of a unit positive dislocation and  $\sigma_0$  and  $\sigma_c$  are the stress fields at the crack surface due to the applied load and the dislocation, respectively.

The solution of the integral equation (3.2) is well-known, Tricomi<sup>13</sup>

(3.3) 
$$f(x) = -\frac{1}{\pi^2 A^{\sqrt{c^2-x^2}}} \int_{-c}^{*c} \sqrt{c^2-t^2} \left[\sigma_0 + \sigma_d(t)\right] \frac{dt}{t-x} + \frac{Q}{\sqrt{c^2-x^2}}$$

Here, Q is a constant to be determined from the condition that

$$\int_{-c}^{c} f(x) dx = n$$

where  $n\lambda_0$  is the total dislocation content of the distribution  $\,f(x)\,.$  The stress  $\,\sigma_d(t)\,$  is given by

(3.5) 
$$\sigma_{d}(t) = \frac{\mu b(t-\xi)}{2\pi[(t-\xi)^{2} + \eta^{2}]}$$

Substituting this into Eq. (3.3), we can carry out integrations to obtain

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{c^2 - x^2}} \left\{ \frac{\sigma_0 x}{\pi A} - \frac{b}{\pi \lambda_0} \left[ \frac{\sqrt{z^2 - c^2}}{2(z - x)} + \frac{\sqrt{\overline{z}^2 - c^2}}{2(\overline{z} - x)} - 1 \right] + 0 \right\}$$
(3.6)

where  $\zeta=\xi+i\eta$ ,  $\bar{\zeta}=\xi-i\eta$ . Using this in Eq. (3.4), we will have  $Q=n/\pi$ . Carrying f(x) into Eq. (3.1) after some tedious integrations, we obtain

(3.7) 
$$c_{23} - i \sigma_{13} = \sigma_0 \left( \frac{\bar{z}}{\sqrt{\bar{z}^2 - c^2}} - 1 \right) - \frac{bA}{2\lambda_0} \left[ \frac{1}{\bar{z} - \zeta} \left( 1 - \frac{\sqrt{\zeta^2 - c^2}}{\sqrt{\bar{z}^2 - c^2}} \right) + \frac{1}{\bar{z} - \zeta} \left( 1 - \frac{\sqrt{\bar{z}^2 - c^2}}{\sqrt{\bar{z}^2 - c^2}} \right) \right] + \left( \frac{b}{\lambda_0} + n \right) \frac{A}{\sqrt{\bar{z}^2 - c^2}}$$

The forces acting on the dislocation at  $(\xi,\eta)$ , due to the crack, are given by

(3.8) 
$$F_1 = b \sigma_{23}, F_2 = b \sigma_{13}$$
  $(x_1 = \xi, x_2 = \eta)$ 

For our own purpose later, we need the stress field when the dislocation is located along the  $x_1$ -axis and the surface of the crack is free of tractions. To this end, we set  $y_1 = 0$  and add

(3.9) 
$$\sigma_0 + \sigma_d(x_1) = \sigma_0 + \frac{bA}{\sqrt{(\bar{z} - \xi)}}$$

to the right-hand side of Eq. (3.7). Hence,

(3.10) 
$$\sigma_{23} - i \sigma_{13} + \sigma_{0} + \sigma_{d}(x_{1}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\bar{z}^{2} - c^{2}}} \left[ \sigma_{0} \bar{z} + A(\frac{b}{\lambda_{0}} + n) + \frac{bA}{\lambda_{0}} \frac{\sqrt{\bar{z}^{2} - c^{2}}}{\bar{z} - \bar{z}} \right]$$

gives the classical stress field at any point outside of the crack when the body is loaded at  $x_2 = \pm \infty$  with a constant shear  $\sigma_{23} = \pm \sigma_0$ . When the crack contains no dislocations, then we have n = 0.

Two special cases are important:

(i) No chack and  $\sigma_0 = 0$ . In this case, the classical stress field is given by

$$\sigma = \frac{\mu b}{2\pi \bar{z}}$$

where we also set  $\xi = 0$  placing the dislocation to the origin of coordinates.

(ii) No Distocations. In this case, A = 0 and we have

(3.12) 
$$\sigma = \frac{\sigma_0 \bar{z}}{\sqrt{\bar{z}^2 - c^2}}$$

Both of these results are well-known in the literature.

#### 4. NONLOCAL STRESS FIELDS

To determine the nonlocal stress fields, we must obtain the solution of

$$(4.1) \qquad (1 - \tau^2 \ell^2 \nabla^2) t = \sigma$$

subject to some boundary conditions. Here

(4.2) 
$$t = t_{23} - i t_{13}$$
,  $\sigma = \sigma_{23} - i \sigma_{13} + \sigma_0 + \sigma_d(x_1)$ 

Since  $\nabla^2 \sigma = 0$ ,  $t = \sigma$  is a particular solution of Eq. (4.1). The complementary solution of (4.1), vanishing at infinity and having proper symmetry regulations with respect to  $(x_1, \pm x_2)$ , is of the form

(4.3) 
$$t_{c} = K_{v}(r/\hat{x}\tau)(A_{v} e^{iv\theta} + B_{v} e^{-iv\theta})$$

where  $A_{\nu}$ ,  $B_{\nu}$  and  $\nu$  are constants,  $K_{\nu}(\rho)$  is the modified Bessel's function and  $(r,\theta)$  are the plane polar coordinates.

The boundary condition on the crack surface requires that  $t_{23}=0$ . Taking the origin r=0 of the coordinates at the right-hand crack tip and writing  $r=r_1$ ,  $\theta=\theta_1$ , in (4.3) we see that to fulfill this condition, we must have  $\nu=1/2$ , since all other solutions lead to displacement singularities at  $r_1=0$ .

Classical stress field  $\sigma$  possesses singularity at the screw dislocation  $x_1 = \xi$ ,  $x_2 = 0$ . The surface traction,  $t_{rz}$  on the edge surface of the dislocation is required to vanish, according to the boundary

condition. To fulfill this condition we take v=1 and move the origin of coordinates to  $x_1=\xi$ ,  $x_2=0$ . This may be expressed by writing  $r=r_d$ ,  $\theta=\theta_3$  and

(4.4) 
$$r_d e^{i\theta_3} = r_1 e^{i\theta_1} - x_0$$
.

Hence, the general solution of (4.1) appropriate to our problem is of the form

(4.5) 
$$t = (\pi \tau \ell / 2r_1)^{\frac{1}{2}} e^{-r_1/\tau \ell} (C_1 e^{i\theta_1/2} + C_2 e^{-i\theta_1/2}) + K_1(r_d/\tau \ell)(C_3 e^{i\theta_3} + C_4 e^{-i\theta_3}) + \sigma.$$

To determine  $\,{\rm C}_{\alpha}$  , we calculate stress components in polar coordinates  $(r_1,e_1)$  :

(4.6) 
$$t_{\theta z} - i t_{rz} = (t_{23} - i t_{13}) e^{-i\theta_1}$$
.

We imagine the crack tip as a limit of a small circular arc with radius  $r_1 = \varepsilon$  approaching zero. For small  $\varepsilon$ , we have approximately

(4.7) 
$$z = c + z_1 = -c + z_2 = \xi + z_3 = c + x_0 + z_3,$$

$$z_1 = \varepsilon e^{i\theta_1}.$$

Using these in Eq. (3.10), we will have

(4.8) 
$$\sigma = (c/2r_1)^{\frac{1}{2}} e^{i\theta_1/2} \left[\sigma_0 + \frac{\mu b}{2\pi c} \left(1 + \frac{n\lambda_0}{b_0}\right) - \frac{\mu b}{2\pi c} \left(1 + \frac{2c}{x_0}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}\right]$$

Consequently, Eq. (4.5) gives

$$\begin{aligned} (4.9) \quad & t_{\theta z} - i \ t_{rz} = (c/2r_1)^{\frac{1}{2}} e^{-i\theta_1/2} \left[ \sigma_0 + \frac{\mu b}{2\pi c} \left( 1 + \frac{n\lambda_0}{b} \right) - \frac{\mu b}{2\pi c} \left( 1 + \frac{2c}{x_0} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \right] \\ & + (\pi \tau \ell/2r_1)^{\frac{1}{2}} e^{-r_1/\tau \ell} \left( c_1 e^{-i\theta_1/2} + c_2 e^{-3i\theta_1/2} \right) \\ & + \kappa_1 (|x_0|/\tau \ell) \left( c_3 \frac{r_1}{x_0} e^{i\theta_1} - c_3 + c_4 \frac{r_1}{x_0} e^{-i\theta_1} - c_4 \right) e^{-i\theta_1} \end{aligned}$$

The boundary condition on  $t_{rz}$  requires that

(4.10) 
$$\lim_{r_1 \to 0} t_{rz} = 0$$

This condition will be fulfilled approximately for  $x_0/\tau^{\ell} >> 1$  if  $C_2 = 0$  and

(4.11) 
$$C_1 = -(c/\pi \tau \ell)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left[\sigma_0 + \frac{\mu b}{2\pi c} \left(1 + \frac{n\lambda_0}{b}\right) - \frac{\mu b}{2\pi c} \left(1 + \frac{2c}{\kappa_0}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}\right]$$

Next, we calculate the stress field at the location  $r_d = 0$  of the screw dislocation. As  $r_d + 0$  we have  $r_1 = x_0$  and

In fact, this condition is satisfied exactly along the crack line  $e_1 = \pm \pi$ .

$$\begin{aligned} (4.12) \quad & \mathbf{t}_{z\theta} - \mathbf{i} \ \mathbf{t}_{zr} = (\pi \tau \ell / 2 x_0)^{\frac{1}{2}} \, \mathrm{e}^{-x_0 / \tau \ell} \mathbf{c}_1 + \kappa_1 (r_d / \tau \ell) (\mathbf{c}_3 \, \mathrm{e}^{-i\theta_3} + \mathbf{c}_4 \, \mathrm{e}^{-i\theta_3}) \\ & \quad + \left[ x_0 (x_0 + 2 \mathrm{c}) \right]^{-\frac{1}{2}} [\sigma_0 (\mathrm{c} + x_0) + \frac{\mu \mathrm{b}}{2\pi} (1 + \frac{\mathrm{n}^{\lambda_0}}{\mathrm{b}}) \\ & \quad + \frac{\mu \mathrm{b}}{2\pi r_d} [x_0 (x_0 + 2 \mathrm{c})^{\frac{1}{2}} \, \mathrm{e}^{i\theta_3} \ . \end{aligned}$$

Again  $t_{zr}$  must vanish as  $r_d o 0$ . This implies that  $C_4 o 0$  and

(4.13) 
$$c_3 = -\mu b/2\pi \tau \ell$$
.

The general solution is now complete.

(4.14) 
$$t = (\pi \tau \ell / 2r_1)^{\frac{1}{2}} e^{-r_1/\tau \ell} c_1 e^{i\theta_1/2} + K_1(r_d/\tau \ell) c_3 e^{i\theta_3} + \sigma$$

where  $C_1$  and  $C_3$  are given by (4.11) and (4.13). In polar coordinates, we have

$$\begin{aligned} (4.15) \quad & t_{\theta z} - i \ t_{rz} = (\pi \tau \ell / 2r_1)^{\frac{1}{2}} e^{-r_1 / \tau \ell} c_1 e^{-i\theta_1 / 2} + \kappa_1 (r_d / \tau \ell) \ c_3 e^{i(\theta_3 - \theta_1)} \\ & + (r_1 r_2)^{-\frac{1}{2}} e^{i(\theta_2 - \theta_1) / 2} \Big\{ [\sigma_0 \ r \ e^{-i\theta} + \frac{\mu b}{2\pi} \ (1 + \frac{n\lambda_0}{b}) \\ & + \frac{\mu b}{2\pi} \ (r_1 \ e^{-i\theta_1} - x_0)^{-1} \ [x_0 (x_0 + 2c)]^{\frac{1}{2}} \Big\} \end{aligned}$$

Special cases mentioned in Section 3 can be obtained in a similar fashion.

(i) No Crack

(4.16) 
$$t_{\theta z} - i t_{rz} = \frac{\mu b}{2\pi \tau \ell} \frac{1}{\rho} [1 - \rho K_{1}(\rho)],$$

where we have taken the origin of the polar coordinates at the dislocation, so that  $\,\rho\,=\,r_{\mbox{d}}/\tau \ell$  .

# (ii) No Dislocation

(4.17) 
$$t_{\theta z} - i t_{rz} = \sigma_0 (c/2r_1)^{\frac{1}{2}} [(2r^2/cr_2)^{\frac{1}{2}} e^{i(-\theta + \frac{2}{2})} - e^{-r_1/\tau \ell}] e^{-i\theta_1/2}$$

#### 5. FRACTURE

Here, we discuss the onset of fracture and determine the theoretical stresses for the two special cases.

## (i) No Crack

According to Eq. (4.16), we have  $t_{rz} \approx 0$  and

(5.1) 
$$T_{\theta}(\rho) = \frac{2\pi\tau\ell}{\mu b} t_{\theta z} = \rho^{-1}[1 - \rho K_{1}(\rho)]$$

The maximum of  $T_{\theta}$  occurs at  $\rho$  = 1.1 and is given by

(5.2) 
$$T_{\text{emax}} = 0.3993$$
;  $\rho_{\text{c}} = 1.1$ 

It is natural to assume that when  $t_{\theta z \; max}$  becomes equal to the theoretical stress  $t_y$ , the crystal will rupture. Thus,

(5.3) 
$$t_y/\mu \simeq 0.3993 \frac{b}{2\pi e_0 a}$$

If we write  $h = e_0 a/0.3993$ , this agrees with the estimate of Frenkel based on an atomic model (cf. Kelly<sup>14</sup>, p. 12). For aluminum (fcc),  $b = a/\sqrt{2}$  and for iron (bcc),  $b = \sqrt{3}/2$ , so that Eq. (5.3) gives

$$t_y/\mu = 0.12$$
 {A1: [111] < 1\bar{1}0 > }  
 $t_v/\mu = 0.14$  {Fe: [1\bar{1}0] < 111>}

These are close to the theoretical results  $t_y/\mu$  = 0.11 based on atomic models.

It is interesting to note that  $t_{\theta Z} = 0$  at the center of dislocation and it rises to a maximum at  $\rho = 1.1$ , thereafter decreasing to zero with  $\rho$ . Significant consequences of the present predictions as contrasted to the classical results are:

- (a) The stress at the center of the core is <u>not</u> infinite, but zero.
- (b) Fracture begins at  $\rho = \rho_C$  not at the center of the core.
- (c) There is a low stress region,  $0 < \rho < \rho_c$  within the core.

# (ii) No Dislocations

From (4.17), it is clear that  $t_{\theta Z}$  acquires its maximum along the crack line  $\theta = \theta_1 = \theta_2 = 0$ , near the crack tip. The circumferential stress along

the crack line  $r_1 \ge 0$  is expressed by

(5.4) 
$$t_{z\theta}/\sigma_0 = (2\gamma\rho)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \left[ (1+\gamma\rho)(1+\frac{\gamma\rho}{2})^{-\frac{1}{2}} - e^{-\rho} \right]$$

where

(5.5) 
$$\rho = r_1/e_0 a$$
,  $\gamma = e_0 a/c$ 

 $t_{z\theta}$  vanishes at the crack tip  $\,\rho$  = 0  $\,$  and has a maximum at  $\,\rho$  =  $\rho_{c}$  which is the root of

(5.6) 
$$e^{-\rho} (1 + 2\rho) = (1 + \frac{\gamma \rho}{2})^{-3/2}$$

Since  $\gamma << 1$  ( $\gamma \le 10^{-6}$ ), we see that the root of (5.6) is independent of c and is given by

(5.7) 
$$\rho_{\rm c} = 1.2565$$

and the maximum stress is given by

(5.8) 
$$t_{z\theta \text{ max}} = \sigma_0(e_0a/c)^{-\frac{1}{2}} (\sqrt{2\rho_c} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\rho_c}})^{-1}$$
.

We also observe that as  $\rho + \infty$ , (5.4) gives  $t_{z\theta} = \sigma_0$ , as it should.

In the classical tradition, if we write  $K_{III} = \sqrt{\pi c} \ \sigma_0$ , then (5.4) may be expressed as

(5.9) 
$$T_{\theta}(\rho) = \sqrt{\gamma} t_{z\theta}/\sigma_{0} = (\pi e_{0}a)^{\frac{1}{2}} t_{z\theta}/K_{III}$$
$$= (2\rho)^{-\frac{1}{2}} [1 + \gamma\rho)(1 + \frac{\gamma\rho}{2})^{-\frac{1}{2}} - e^{-\rho}]$$

This is plotted against  $\rho$ , in Fig. 3 in the vicinity of the crack tip. The classical (local) stress is also indicated on this figure by dashed lines. From this figure, it is clear that the classical stress field deviates considerably from the nonlocal stress field in the region  $0 \le \rho < 5$ . In fact, it diverges at the crack tip.

A <u>perfect crystal</u> which contains a crack, but no dislocation, will not rupture before the maximum stress reaches the value of the cohesive stress (theoretical stress) that holds the atomic bonds of the lattice. Thus, the entire crystal is in the elastic state of equilibrium when

$$t_{z\theta \max} < t_y.$$

The failure begins when  $t_{z\theta max} = t_y$ , i.e., when

(5.11) 
$$K_c/t_y = (\pi e_0 a)^{\frac{1}{2}} (\sqrt{2\rho_c} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\rho_c}}) = 3.9278 \sqrt{e_0 a}$$

where  $K_c = \sqrt{\pi c} \sigma_{0c}$  is the critical fracture toughness.

Using Eq. (5.11) and  $e_0 = 0.39$ , we calculate a few K<sub>g</sub>-values which are listed in Table 1 (last column) along with classical K<sub>c</sub>'s based on  $K_c = 4\mu\gamma_s^{1/2}$ , where  $\gamma_s$  is the surface energy. Experimental observations

of Ohr and Chang are also listed in this Table. Classical estimates are expected to be inaccurate considering the fact that even with the best present-day techniques available, they could not be measured to an accuracy better than a factor of two. Moreover, classical formula assumes no defects (i.e., no crack and dislocation), therefore it is expected to give higher  $K_C$ -values. On the other hand, experimental measurements of Ohr and Chang required the measurement of the length of the plastic zone among other constants. This already implies the existence of dislocations so that we expect some deviation from the perfect crystal containing no dislocation but a single crack. In Section 6, we examine the general case when the solid contains a crack and a dislocation.

#### 6. DISLOCATION AND CRACK

Along the crack line  $x_1 \ge c$ ,  $x_2 = 0$ , Eq. (4.15) gives  $t_{rz} = 0$  and with n = 0

$$t_{\theta z} = t^{c} + t^{dc}$$

where

(6.2) 
$$t^{C} \sqrt{\gamma} / \sigma_{0} = T_{1} = (2\rho)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \left[1 + \gamma \rho\right) \left(1 + \frac{\gamma \rho}{2}\right)^{-\frac{1}{2}} - e^{-\rho},$$

(6.3) 
$$t^{dc} \sqrt{\gamma} / \sigma_0 \beta = T_2 = (2c)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \left\{ \left[ \left( 1 + \frac{\gamma c}{2} \right)^{-\frac{1}{2}} - \left[ 1 - \left( 1 + \frac{2}{\gamma \bar{x}_0} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \right] e^{-c} - sgn(\rho - \bar{x}_0) (2\rho/\gamma)^{\frac{1}{2}} K_1 (|\rho - \bar{x}_0|) + (1 + \frac{\gamma c}{2})^{-\frac{1}{2}} \left( 1 + \frac{2}{\gamma \bar{x}_0} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} (\frac{c}{\bar{x}_0} - 1)^{-1} \right\}$$

in which

(6.4) 
$$\bar{x}_0 = x_0/e_0 a$$
,  $\beta = \frac{\mu b}{2\pi c_0}$ 

when the dislocation is absent we have  $t^{dc}=0$  so that  $t^{dc}$  is the shear stress arising from the interaction of the dislocation with the crack. At the crack tip  $\rho=0$  and we have

(6.5) 
$$t_{\theta z} / \sigma_0 \theta = \frac{1}{\gamma} K_1(\bar{x}_0)$$

This shows that for positive dislocation (b>0) the shear stress is positive and therefore the crack tip will tend to close up for b>0. For b<0 the opposite will occur. However, the stress given by (6.5) due to the dislocation is very small for large  $\bar{x}_0$  and it becomes large when the dislocation is very close to the crack tip. The stress field  $T_1(.) \equiv T_{\epsilon}(c)$  so that Fig. 3 represents  $T_1(c)$ . Fig. 4 displays graphs of  $T_2(c)$  for several values of  $\bar{x}_0 = 3.1$ , 4.1, 6.1 and 10.1, keeping  $\bar{x}_0 = 10^{-8}$  fixed. These graphs show that  $T_2$  possesses a minimum and two maxima. The crack tip is not stress-free. The maximum of  $T_2$  occur close to the dislocation. For example, in the case  $\bar{x}_0 = 3.1$ , the maximum is at  $\bar{x}_c = 4.4$  and in the case  $\bar{x}_0 = 10.1$  it is at  $\bar{x}_c = 11.2$ .

To obtain an idea on the combined effect I have selected  $\tilde{\epsilon} = 10^{-4} \quad \text{and plotted the ratio of the combined stress to} \quad \sigma_0(t_{\tilde{e}z}/\tau_0)$  in Fig. 5 for various  $\tilde{x}_0$ . From these graphs it is clear that when

the dislocation is located close to the maximum of  $T_1$  the combined effect is large. For example, while  $T_{lmax} \approx 0.451$  for the case of crack alone, for the combined effect we have  $T_{max} = 0.63$  so that the ratio of the two  $K_q$ -values is given by

$$(6.6) K_{gtot} / K_{gl} \simeq 0.71$$

This implies that a dislocation located at a distance approximately one or two lattice parameters away from the crack tip reduces the fracture toughness by about 30%. Hence the theoretical values of  $K_g$  listed in Table I will be reduced about 30% bringing the numbers on the last column closer to those listed in the adjacent column marked experiments. These results however must still be considered only as indications for the trend. A more realistic physical picture requires the presence of large numbers of dislocations distributed over a few microns or so distance, away from the crack tip. Consequently, to obtain a close approximation to experimental observations of Chang and Ohr we need to consider a distribution of dislocation in a region near the crack tip. Such a consideration will require a separate study of dislocation pile up which is left to a future study.

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Table 1: Critical Stress Intensity Factors

Material	a(10 <sup>-8</sup> <sub>cm)</sub> <sup>17</sup> u(10 <sup>11</sup> cgs)	=	Υ <sub>S</sub> (cgs) <sup>18</sup>	<sup>β</sup> γ <sub>S</sub> (cgs) <sup>18</sup> t <sub>y</sub> (10 <sup>11</sup> cgs) <sup>19</sup> Classical g <sub>c</sub> γ <sub>y</sub> (10 <sup>-3</sup>	Classical K <sub>c</sub> /t <sub>y</sub> (10 <sup>-3</sup> cm <sup>\$</sup> )	Classical Experiment 16 Present $K_c/t_y(10^{-3} cm^{\frac{1}{2}}) K/t_y(10^{-3} cm^{\frac{1}{2}}) K/t_y(10^{-3} cm^{\frac{1}{2}})$	Present $K/t_y(10^{-3} \text{cm}^{\frac{1}{x}})$
Al (fcc)	4.05	2.51	078	0.262	1.11	0.31	0.49
Cu (fcc)	3.61	4.05	1688	0.137	3.86	0.66	0.47
Ni (fcc)	3.52	7.48	1725	0.274	2.62	99.0	97.0
Fe (bcc)	2.87	6.9	1975	0.71	1.04	0.23	0.42

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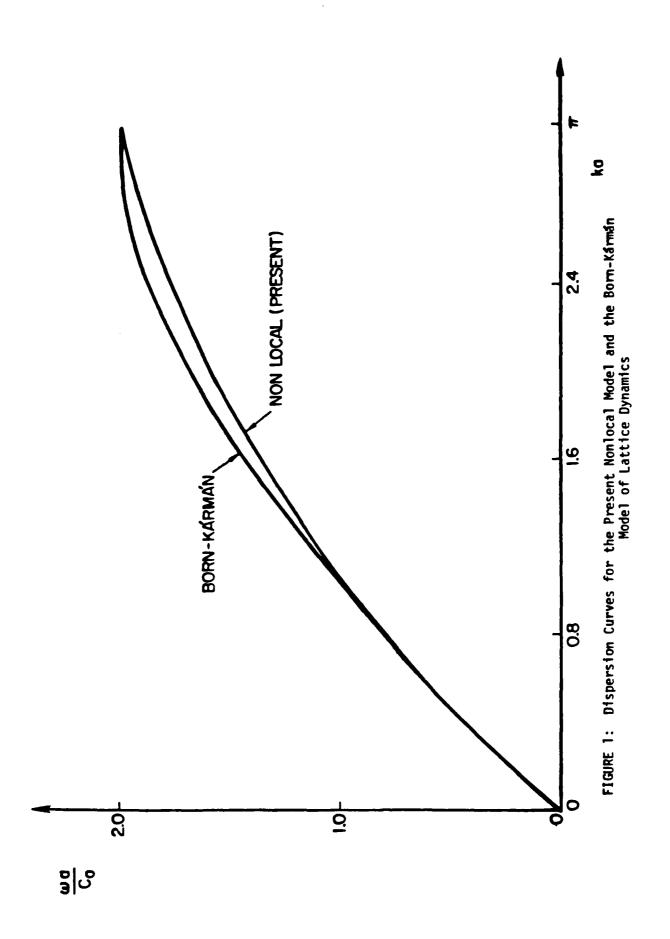
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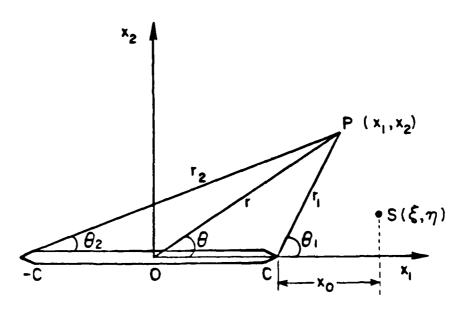
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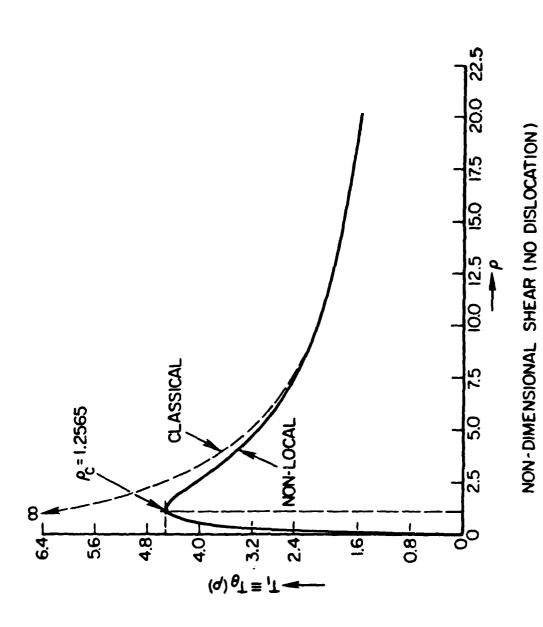


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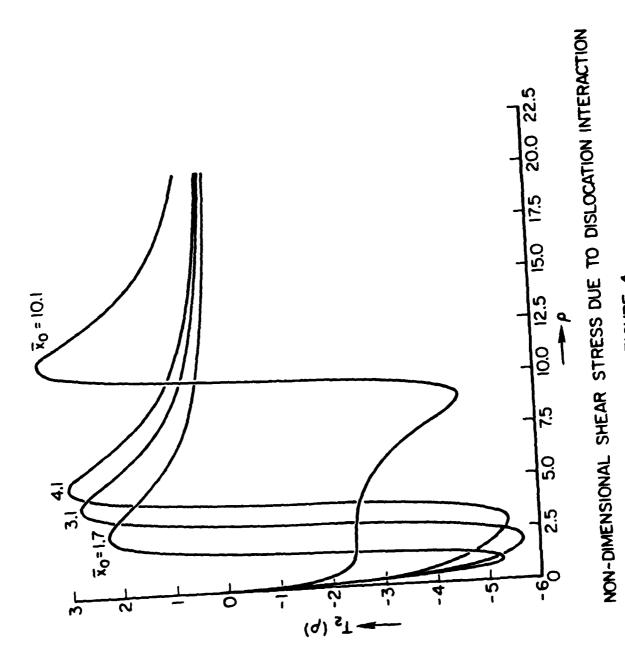
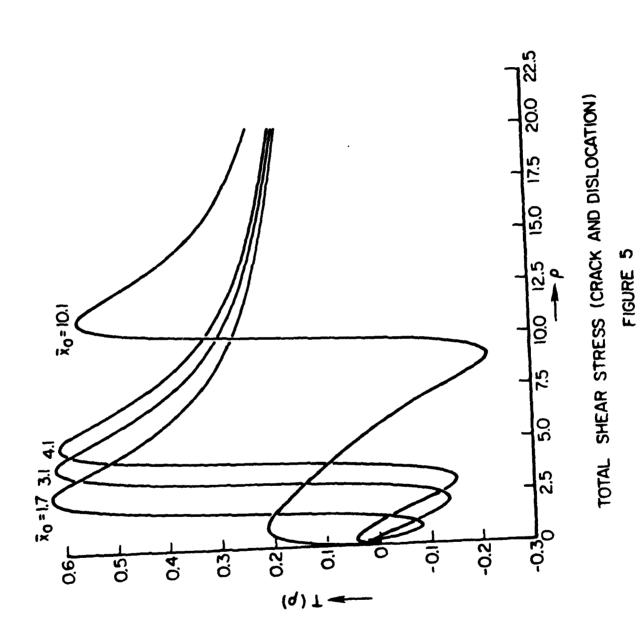


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